

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
Makoto YOSHIOKA, et al.
Serial No.: 08/645,073
Filed: May 13, 1996



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Examiner: B. Gregory

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For: CONTENT SALES PERIOD VERIFYING SYSTEM
AND CONTENT DECRYPTION KEY EFFECTIVE
PERIOD VERIFYING SYSTEM

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated October 9, 1998 and having a response due on January 9, 1999, please amend the above-referenced application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 3, line 4, change "meets" to --meet--.

Page 4, line 5, after "comprise" insert --a--.

Page 5, line 14, change "storing" to --stores--;
line 15, after "contents" insert --,--; and
line 16, after "making" insert --the--.

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows.

9. (TWICE AMENDED) A storage device readable by a
computer comprising: [,]

means for storing a content including a period
concerning the content and a program executed by the computer,
wherein said program [which]:
reads the period;